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Mr. Vernon A. Williams Secretary Surface Transportation Board 1925 K Street NW Washington, DC 20423 RECORDATION NO. 2579/

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

RE:

Memorandum of Security Agreement

Our File: DM-100-05.BS

Dear Secretary Williams:

Attached hereto, in compliance with 49 CFR § 1177.3, please find the document described below to be recorded pursuant to Section 11303 of Title 49 of the U.S. Code.

This document is a Memorandum of Security Agreement, a primary document, dated June 29, 2004.

The names and addresses of the parties to the documents are as follows:

Secured Party:

Fishback Financial Corporation

PO Box 5057 2220 Sixth Street

Brookings, SD 57006-5057

Debtor:

Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corp.

140 N. Phillips Ave. Sioux Falls, SD 57104

A description of the equipment covered by the document is:

Forty-seven (47) covered hopper railcars of varying capacity, from 4,635 to 4,785 cubic feet bearing DME reporting marks in the DME 46000 and 47000 series.

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Our STB account number for the required fee of \$33.00 is 22773.

A short summary of the document to appear in the index as described in 49 CFR § 1177.4(a) follows:

Primary Document - Memorandum of Security Agreement between Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern Railroad Corporation and Fishback Financial Corporation, dated June 29, 2004, and covering 47 covered hopper railcars in the DME 46000 and 47000 series.

Should you have any questions or require additional information with respect hereto, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

CUTLER & DONAHOE, LLP

Brian J. Donahoe

For the Firm

Attorneys for Dakota, Minnesota & Eastern

Railroad Corp.

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Attachments

cc:

Gary Fish

Fishback Financial Corp.

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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

MEMORANDUM OF SECURITY AGREEMENT dated as of June 29, 2004, between

DAKOTA, MINNESOTA & EASTERN RAILROAD CORPORATION (hereinafter called the Borrower)
140 N. Phillips Avenue
Sioux Falls, SD 57104

and

FISHBACK FINANCIAL CORPORATION (hereinafter called the Lender) PO Box 5057 2220 Sixth Street Brookings, SD 57006-5057

The Borrower and the Lender entered into the Commercial Security Agreement dated as of June 29, 2004 pursuant to which the Borrower grants to the Lender a security interest in all of the Borrower's right, title and interest in those certain railroad cars particularly described in Exhibit A hereto, together with all products and proceeds of the foregoing.

The parties wish to show for the public record the security interest in the aforesaid property in favor of the Lender, and accordingly have caused this memorandum to be executed by their officers thereunto duly authorized, as of the date first above written.

LENDER:

FISHBACK FINANCIAL

CORPORATION

David Gloson, Vice President

BORROWER:

DAKOTA, MINNESOTA & EASTERN RAILROAD CORPORATION

Kurt V. Feaster, Sr. Vice President, CFO

STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA)
) SS:
COUNTY OF BROOKINGS)

On this 2th day of July, 2004, before me personally appeared DAVID GIBSON, to me personally known, who, by me being duly sworn, says that he is the Vice President of the FISHBACK FINANCIAL CORPORATION, that the foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of said company by authority of its board of directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said company.



Notary Public – State of South Dakota
My Commission Expires: 12-15-09

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STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA) SS: COUNTY OF MINNEHAHA)

On this 3 day of July, 2004, before me personally appeared KURT V. FEASTER, to me personally known, who, by me being duly sworn, says that he is the Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer of DAKOTA, MINNESOTA & EASTERN RAILROAD CORPORATION, that the foregoing instrument was signed on behalf of said company by authority of its board of directors, and he acknowledged that the execution of the foregoing instrument was the free act and deed of said company.

LINDA M. ARTER
NOTARY PUBLIC SOUTH DAKOTA

Notary Public – State of South Dakota
My Commission Expires: 01 09.

EXHIBIT A

Forty-Seven (47) covered hopper railcars of varying capacity, from 4,635 to 4,785 cubic feet bearing DME reporting marks as follows:

DME 46104 DME 46105 **DME 46106** DME 46111 DME 47001 DME 47051 **DME 47060** DME 47061 **DME 47078 DME 47080** DME 47081 **DME 47084 DME 47089** DME 47099 DME 47109 **DME 47111** DME 47112 DME 47124 **DME 47138 DME 47142 DME 47149 DME 47150** DME 47152 DME 47157 **DME 47173 DME 47180** DME 47182 **DME 47184 DME 47204 DME 47207** DME 47211 **DME 47229 DME 47231**

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